Dear Mr. Tatro, 8/11/78

Thanks for your 8/3 and the enclosures. I'm sorry they were not complete, that the incompleteness eliminated the CIA reference numbers and that some of the records. examined out of context, have been given meanings I believe are not warranted. You meantion some, the 201 file, the "Mauser" and the ammo, with the conjecture that it was made for the CIA.

Disinformation purposes only are served by baseless theorizing. Often I wonder if the kinds of records siezed upon are not disclosed in the hope they will be misused as they have been.

The 201 file in this case is a personality profile, not an employment record. What is unusual about any intelligence agency having a personality proffle on a defector?

There are other and serious factual error in the CIA record referring to a Mauser.

If it were true that the CIA had the same kind of ammo made, and the FBI's conjecture is not proof, how does that connect with the assassination? With the millions of rounds of the same ammo readily available?

My feelings about the House assassins is what ~~it~~ they were from the first - these are modern-day McCarthyites created by all the nuts and self-seekers who will be its targets in its substitutions for performance and accomplishment. There is no time when this committee was engaged in responsible activity of any kind.

I see no relevance in the soc-alled tramps. This is the kind of thing that the committee will be able to use effectively. Meaning misuse. The name Hoy seems familiar, from y ars ago, but I do not place it.

I'm sorry to bring you no comfort but the approach represented by your letter is the one that for years has led to frustration and unhappiness - and nobody seems to learn from it or from anything.

There is only one responsible way of studying these major crimes. With each despite the failure to conduct any real official investigation there is a body of dependable evidence of the corpus delicti. Unless one works backward, from what is known to be true of the essential evidence, there is no way of limiting, no way of eliminating and no way of making even reasonable conjectures.

Sincerely,